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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed September 15, 2008, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response which expired on December 15, 2008, and which has been extended two months to February 15, 2009, amend the above-captioned patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.